

HOMELAND DEFENSE/ NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT BOND OVERSIGHT BOARD MINUTES

10/26/10 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY OF MIAMI
CITY HALL CHAMBERS
3500 PAN AMERICAN DRIVE
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33133

The meeting was called to order at 6:19 p.m., with the following members found to be

Present: David Berley
Mariano Cruz
Henry Goa
Ricardo Lambert
Jose Solares (Chair)
Robert Powers
Maria Sardiña Mann
Albena Sumner
Henry Zayas-Bazan

Absent: Rolando Aedo
Eileen Broton (Vice Chair)
Pablo Perez-Cisneros
David Willig

ALSO PRESENT: Alice N. Bravo, P.E., Director, CIP Department
Robin Jones-Jackson, Assistant City Attorney
Dorcas Perez, Director, Grants Administration
Robert Weinreb, Project Manager, City Manager's Office
Ed Blanco, Project Supervisor, Parks & Recreation Department
Wendy Jaramillo, Public Relations Specialist, CIP Department
Marcia Lopez, Public Relations Specialist, CIP Department
Teri E. Thomas, Transcriber, Office of the City Clerk

October 26, 2010

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2010.

HD/NIB MOTION 10-57

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2010.

MOVED: H. Zayas-Bazan
SECONDED: R. Powers
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present, with the exception of Mariano Cruz, who voted no.

II. NEW INFORMATION ITEM:

1. Virginia Key Section 1135 Ecosystem Restoration Grant

NAME OF PROJECT: VIRGINIA KEY SECTION 1135 ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION GRANT

INITIATING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: GRANTS/CITY MANAGER

TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$124,729

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Homeland Defense Bonds Series 2

ACCOUNT CODE(S): _____

If grant funded, is there a City match requirement? YES NO

AMOUNT: \$124,729

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The US Department of the Army, represented by the US Army Engineer, will provide funding for the ongoing restoration of the Virginia Key ecosystem to revitalize the island's native environment and provide a pristine natural environment for City of Miami residents, including the removal of invasive-exotic plant colonies, re-planting of native plant species and the potential creation of nature trails within the park. The City is to provide the match required by the grantor.

LOCATION: 3861 Rickenbacker Causeway

Dorcas Perez, Grants Administration, stated that this a new information item about the approval of a \$1.5 million grant from the Army Corps of Engineers by the City Commission on October 8, 2010, which was made possible by the leveraging of \$124,729 from the Homeland Defense Series II funds, as well as in-kind services from Virginia Key Beach Park Trust and Parks & Recreation. The grant is for Virginia Key Section 1135 Ecosystem Restoration.

III. NEW ITEMS:

1. Hadley Park ADA Accessible Doors

NAME OF PROJECT: HADLEY PARK ADA ACCESSIBLE DOORS
INITIATING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Parks & Recreation
TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$14,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Homeland Defense Bonds Series 3/Neighborhood Park Improvements and HD Interest
ACCOUNT CODE(S): _____
DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: To install ADA accessible front doors (two double doors) opening mechanisms for Carrie P. Meek Building.
Location: 1300 NW 50 Street

HD/NIB MOTION 10-58

A MOTION TO FUND THE HADLEY PARK ADA ACCESSIBLE DOORS.

MOVED: R. Powers
SECONDED: M. Cruz
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

2. Blanche Park New Rubber Surface & Site Furnishings – *Additional Funding*

NAME OF PROJECT: BLANCHE PARK – NEW RUBBER SURFACE & SITE FURNISHINGS
INITIATING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Parks & Recreation
TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$6,000 (\$45,000 Previously approved)
SOURCE OF FUNDS: District 2 Quality of Life
ACCOUNT CODE(S): 311712
DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Installation of artificial turf safety surface under existing playground equipment and site furnishings.
LOCATION: 3045 Shipping Avenue

HD/NIB MOTION 10-59

A MOTION TO FUND THE BLANCHE PARK NEW RUBBER SURFACE & SITE FURNISHINGS - ADDITIONAL FUNDING..

MOVED: M. Cruz
SECONDED: A. Sumner
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present, with the exception of Henry Zayas-Bazan, who voted no.

IV. PROJECT UPDATES:

1. Antonio Maceo Park - New Top Layer For Playground Surface and New Equipment
2. Blanche Park - New Survey
3. Belle Meade Park – New Shade Structure Over Playground
4. Wainwright Park – New Swings, Rubber Surface & Vita Course
5. Marjorie Stoneman Douglas Park - New Rubber Surface for Swings

Ed Blanco stated that Project Updates 1-5 have all been completed.

6. Legion Park Lighting for Basketball Court

Ed Blanco, Parks & Recreation, stated that when the item originally came to the board, the contractor was going to be available. The contractor was scheduled to attend the meeting to answer the technical questions regarding the project. After learning that the Chair would not be in attendance, the contractor was not required to attend the meeting, and the board moved and approved the project as it was. While the contractor was unable to attend the meeting, he was instructed to respond to e-mails. At the audit committee of last week, the contractor was asked to intend and the e-mails were submitted to Marcia. He called and explained that he would be unable to attend due to family issues and that is why he is not here tonight as well. He did answer some of the questions. And in addition, today we found additional information which was just handed out, a comparison of a similar cost of a project awarded in Jacksonville back in 2006. Three pages were provided from that report that show comparable pricing to the quote received for this project.

7. Duarte Park ADA Modifications

HD/NIB MOTION 10-60

A MOTION TO FUND THE DUARTE PARK ADA MODIFICATIONS WITH THE PRICING AS STATED IN THE BACKUP DOCUMENTATION.

MOVED: H. Goa
SECONDED: A. Sumner
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig

Note for the Record: Motion failed with David Berley, Robert Powers, Maria Sardiña Mann, Jose Solares and Henry Zayas-Bazan voting no.

V. ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

- HD List of Non-Approved Projects Presentation

HD/NIB MOTION 10-63

A MOTION TO DEFER THE ITEM TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.

MOVED: D. Berley
SECONDED: H. Zayas-Bazan
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

- Moment of Silence - Luis Soto

Chairman Solares requested that the Board observe a moment of silence for the passing of Luis Soto, City of Miami Master Control Technical Director, Department of Communications.

➤ Roll Call Voting

HD/NIB MOTION 10-56

A MOTION TO PERFORM A ROLL CALL VOTE FOR THE RECORD OF ALL HOMELAND DEFENSE/NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT BOND OVERSIGHT BOARD MOTIONS.

MOVED: H. Zayas-Bazan
SECONDED: R. Powers
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present, with the exception of Mariano Cruz, who voted no.

➤ Shake-A-Leg Building Renovations

Robin Jones-Jackson, Assistant City Attorney, stated that since the audit committee meeting, the City was notified that its parks building that is the hangar where there are park projects and also the Shake-a-Leg project is located has a leak and the City needs to investigate and also repair it. That repair needs to be done expeditiously. The Homeland Defense interest money is available to do it. It is an eligible project as a park improvement for that money. This is just a notification to keep the board apprised of projects as they come up. That repair may potentially be completed before the next board meeting, where there would be an update and report on what needed to occur to get it repaired.

➤ Updated Bond Funding Report

HD/NIB MOTION 10-61

A MOTION TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH UPDATES ON AVAILABLE BOND FUNDING WHEN UPDATED REPORTS ARE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COMMISSION.

MOVED: R. Powers
SECONDED: M. Sardiña Mann
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

➤ Moore Park New Construction

NAME OF PROJECT: MOORE PARK NEW CONSTRUCTION

INITIATING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Parks & Recreation

TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$7,759,229 (\$4,611,862 is Homeland Defense)

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Homeland Defense Bonds Series 1 and 3/District 5 Neighborhood Quality of Life/Little Haiti Park Land Acquisition/Neighborhood Park Improvement & Impact Fees, Sunshine State Financing Commission No. 1 & 2

ACCOUNT CODE(S): 311715, 311412 & 311419

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Design criteria package and design/build services for a new 15,000 S.F. community building center that will incorporate office, classroom and recreational spaces and site improvements that will synergize with the existing tennis center and playfields. The project will also include a new daycare center of approximately 3,000 S.F., a new driveway with parking spaces and drainage system and a new open park area/community gathering space.

Location: 3600 NW 7 Avenue

HD/NIB MOTION 10-62

A MOTION TO FUND THE MOORE PARK NEW CONSTRUCTION.

MOVED: R. Lambert
SECONDED: H. Goa
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig, H. Zayas-Bazan

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present, with the exception of Robert Powers, who voted no.

Note for the Record: The Board approved funding in the amount of \$1 million.

HD/NIB MOTION 10-64

A MOTION TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH COPIES OF RENDERINGS OF MOORE PARK SUBMITTED TO ALYCE BRAVO BY BOARD MEMBER RICARDO LAMBERT.

MOVED: R. Powers
SECONDED: D. Berley
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, H. Goa, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig, H. Zayas-Bazan

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

VI. CHAIRMAN OPEN AGENDA:

HD/NIB MOTION 10-65

A MOTION TO ADJOURN TODAY'S MEETING.

MOVED: D. Berley
SECONDED: M. Cruz
ABSENT: R. Aedo, E. Broton, P. Perez-Cisneros, D. Willig, H. Zayas-Bazan

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.